

## CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey No.: CH-404 (PACS A10) Construction Date: 1934

Name: Mary I.H. Neave Property

Location: 15180 Doe Hill Place, Hughesville, Charles County

Private/Residence/Occupied/Good/Restricted

### Description:

The Mary I.H. Neave Property is a 2-story, 3-bay Dutch Colonial Revival residence constructed in 1934, located on the north side of Doe Hill Road in the Hughesville, Charles County. The structure has an asphalt shingle, gambrel roof with full-width, shed dormers and is of wood-frame construction with clapboard siding and a concrete foundation. It also has several porches and an exterior brick chimney. The property also includes a 2-story, gambrel roof stable, a front-gable wood-frame shed, a concrete block front-gable shed, and a side-gable cottage with wood clapboard exterior and a side-gable carport addition on its east elevation. The property's setting is a rural area east of Leonardtown Road.

### Significance:

Mary I.H. Neave purchased the approximately 1.61 hectare (4 acre) lot in 1933. The parcel currently retains this size. According to the records of the Charles County Tax Assessor, a house was constructed on the land in 1934. According to the owner, the property once served as a horse farm. The property is not a significant resource, as it is an undistinguished example of a common style which has been significantly altered. The 1-story screen porch projecting from the east elevation, the 1-story enclosed porch projecting from the north and east elevations, and the 1-story addition projecting from the north elevation all compromise the integrity of its original design. Furthermore, none of the original outbuildings (except the cottage) that were likely associated with the property are extant.

**Maryland Historical Trust**  
**Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form**  
**MD 5 - Hughesville Project**

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

**1. Name:** (indicate preferred name)

historic Mary I.H. Neave Property

and/or common Richard J. Williamson Property

**2. Location:**

street & number 15180 Doe Hill Place ☐ not for publicationcity, town Hughesville ☐ vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Charles

**3. Classification:**

|   |  |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|
| <b>Category</b>                                 | <b>Ownership</b>                                   | <b>Status</b>                                       | <b>Present Use</b>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> district               | <input type="checkbox"/> public                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied        | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private        | <input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied                 | <input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> structure              | <input type="checkbox"/> both                      | <input type="checkbox"/> work in progress           | <input type="checkbox"/> education <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private |
| <input type="checkbox"/> site                   | <b>Public Acquisition</b>                          | <b>Accessible</b>                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment residence                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> object                 | <input type="checkbox"/> in process                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted | <input type="checkbox"/> government religious                                  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> being considered          | <input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted          | <input type="checkbox"/> industrial scientific                                 |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable | <input type="checkbox"/> no                         | <input type="checkbox"/> military other:                                       |
|   |  |   | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation  |

**4. Owner of Property:** (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Richard J. Williamson

street &amp; number 15180 Doe Hill Place

telephone no.:

city, town Hughesville

state and zip code MD 20637

**5. Location of Legal Description**

Land Records Office of Charles County

liber 2051

street &amp; number Charles Street

folio 598

city, town La Plata

state MD

**6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys**

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

## 7. Description

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| Condition                                     |                                       | Check one                                   | Check one   |                    |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated | <input type="checkbox"/> unaltered          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site |                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good                 | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered | <input type="checkbox"/> moved                    | date of move _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair                 | <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed    |   |   |                    |

Resource Count: 5

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Mary I.H. Neave Property is a 2-story, 3-bay Dutch Colonial Revival-style residence with a stable, guest cottage, and two sheds located on the north side of Doe Hill Place in Hughesville, Charles County. According to Charles County tax records, the house was constructed in 1934. It has a 1-story addition on the north elevation and a 1-story enclosed porch and screen porch on the east elevation.

The structure has an asphalt shingle, gambrel roof with full-width, shed roof dormers on the north and south elevations. An exterior brick chimney is located on the west elevation. The house is of wood-frame construction with wood clapboard siding, and it has a concrete foundation. The windows are wood, 6/1 double-hung, unless otherwise noted. The residence also has an asphalt shingle, front-gable entry porch on the south elevation. The original interior features of the house are still intact. It contains a center-hall, 4-over-4 interior plan and has a brick fireplace with a wood mantel in the living room.

The south, or front elevation comprises of the main block and the 1-story screen porch projecting from the east elevation. The main block has a front-gable entry porch supported by wood columns. The front entrance has a 15-light, wood-frame door with a 1-light aluminum storm door and 6-light sidelights. The fenestration pattern is symmetrical with triple windows on each side of the main entrance. The full-width shed dormer contains two, single windows and one, paired, wood, 1/1 double-hung window.

The west elevation includes the main block with the 1-story, enclosed porch projecting from the north and east elevations. The main block has a porch with 4-wood columns and a hipped roof. The first story consists of two, 15-light, wood doors with 1-light, metal storm doors and one window. The second story has two windows. A louvered vent is located in the gable end. The 1-story, enclosed porch has one, 1-light, metal-frame window.

The north, or rear elevation is composed of the main block, a 1-story addition with a hipped roof partially concealing the main block, a 1-story enclosed porch partially concealing the main block and projecting from the east elevation, and the 1-story screen porch projecting from the east elevation. The main block has three windows in the full-width shed roof dormer on the second story. The 1-story, hipped addition partially concealing the main block has one, 3-light wood window and one, 1-light, wood window on the basement level. The first story has three, double-hung windows and a 6-light, wood window, while the 1-story enclosed porch has three, 1-light metal-frame windows on the first story.

The east elevation includes the main block, partially concealed by a 1-story, enclosed porch and the 1-story, screen porch addition. The basement level of the main block has a projecting, front-gable entry bay with a 1-light, wood-panel basement door with concrete steps. The first story has a paired window. The second story contains two windows, and the gable end has a paired, wood, 6/6 double-hung window. The 1-story, enclosed porch has a metal storm door with two, 1-light, metal-frame windows on the first story. The 1-story, screen porch has a wood-frame screen door and a 15-light, wood-frame door inside the porch.

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## 7. Description (Continued)

There are four outbuildings associated with the property. The first outbuilding is a 2-story, gambrel roof stable, located east of the main house. The first story has a concrete block exterior, and the second story is clad in vertical wood siding.

The second outbuilding is a 1-story, front-gable concrete block shed with an asphalt shingle roof. It is located northeast of the main house.

The third outbuilding is a 1-story, front-gable, wood-frame shed with an asphalt shingle roof and a shed roof addition. The structure is located northeast of the main house.

The fourth outbuilding is a 1-story guest house located northwest of the main house. It contains an asphalt shingle, side-gable roof. It is of wood-frame construction with clapboard siding, and it has a concrete foundation. The main entrance is located in a projecting front-gable entry bay with a 4-light wood-panel door. The windows are wood, 6/6 double-hung with shutters. There is a 3-bay, side-gable roof carport addition on the east elevation of the cottage. The cottage is contemporary with the house, constructed in 1934.

The property is located approximately 213 meters (700 feet) east of Leonardtown Road and contains a wood fence around the portion of the property east of the main house. A wooded wetland area is located southeast of the property. There are wooded areas to the north and east, some modern residential development to the south and a mid-twentieth century house to the west of the property.

## 8. Significance

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| Period                  | Areas of Significance—Check and justify below |                                    |                                    |                             |
|-------------------------|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <u>    </u> prehistoric | <u>    </u> archaeology-prehistoric           | <u>    </u> Community planning     | <u>    </u> landscape architecture | <u>    </u> religion        |
| <u>    </u> 1400-1499   | <u>    </u> archeology-historic               | <u>    </u> conservation           | <u>    </u> law                    | <u>    </u> science         |
| <u>    </u> 1500-1599   | <u>    </u> agriculture                       | <u>    </u> economics              | <u>    </u> literature             | <u>    </u> sculpture       |
| <u>    </u> 1600-1699   | <u>    </u> architecture                      | <u>    </u> education              | <u>    </u> military               | <u>    </u> social/         |
| <u>    </u> 1700-1799   | <u>    </u> art                               | <u>    </u> engineering            | <u>    </u> music                  | <u>    </u> humanitarian    |
| <u>    </u> 1800-1899   | <u>    </u> commerce                          | <u>    </u> exploration/settlement | <u>    </u> philosophy             | <u>    </u> theater         |
| <u>X</u> 1900-          | <u>    </u> communication                     | <u>    </u> industry               | <u>    </u> politics/government    | <u>    </u> transportation  |
|                         |   | <u>    </u> invention              |                                    | <u>    </u> other (specify) |

**Specific dates 1934**

**Builder/Architect** Unknown

check:      Applicable Criteria:    \_\_\_A   \_\_\_B   \_\_\_C   \_\_\_D  
                 and/or  
Applicable Exceptions:    \_\_\_A   \_\_\_B   \_\_\_C   \_\_\_D   \_\_\_E   \_\_\_F   \_\_\_G  
                 Level of Significance:    \_\_\_national            \_\_\_state            \_\_\_local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Mary I.H. Neave purchased the approximately 1.61 hectare (4 acre) lot in 1933. The parcel currently retains this size. According to the records of the Charles County Tax Assessor, a house was constructed on the land in 1934. According to the owner, the property once served as a horse farm. The property was sold a number of times until the current proprietor, Richard J. Williamson, acquired sole ownership in 1994. There are no detailed, published historic maps of Charles County, Maryland that locate and indicate ownership of structures.

The Maryland Colony was granted by King Charles I to Lord Baltimore in 1632. Two years later, the first European community was established at St. Mary's City. Subsequent colonization moved north, along the Potomac and Patuxent Rivers. As settlers migrated away from St. Mary's City, the formation of a new county became necessary. In 1658 Charles County was founded in an area originally inhabited by Algonquins of the Powhatan Confederacy. Road clearing began in the mid-eighteenth century as a result of the establishment of port towns and Maryland's rising population. Tobacco cultivation dominated the economic and social life of Charles County until the mid-nineteenth century when soil exhaustion required agricultural diversification. The introduction of rail lines in the late nineteenth century linked Charles County with the north and south, encouraging trade. While the suburbanization of Charles County was ensured by the widespread availability of the automobile in the mid-twentieth century, the County has retained its rural and agricultural character.

The area that became Hughesville was located in Lord Baltimore's grant of 6,879.9 hectares (17,000 acres) of Newport Hundred to Major William Boarman during 1650-1699. This land included the region "east of Zachiah Swamp" and became known as Boarman's Manor. Hughesville does not appear on an 1840 Map of a Part of Maryland, and Fisher's 1852 Gazetteer of the State of Maryland did not list the community. Hughesville was located at the crossroads of two of the main routes through Charles County: Burnt Store to Patuxent City and on to Annapolis, (Burnt Store Road and Prince Frederick Road/Route 231) and Bryantown to Charlotte Hall and on to St. Mary's City (Leonardtown Road/Route 5). Accordingly, Hughesville is shown on Martenet's 1866 Map of Maryland, Atlas Edition. The 1871 State Gazette and Merchants and Farmers Directory for Maryland and the District of Columbia called Hughesville a "post town." Bland's 1887 Maryland Directory and State Gazetteer listed both Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches in Hughesville as well as a Friends' school, four (4) general merchandise stores, two (2) saloons, two (2) undertakers, a wheelwright, a blacksmith, a tobacco buyer, and a population of fifty (50).

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Gannett's 1904 Gazetteer of Maryland defined Hughesville as a "post village...on the Washington, Potomac and Chesapeake Railroad" (Gannett 1904: 43). By 1906 the community was known as "a station of the Southern Maryland Railroad...and a banking town" with two (2) physicians, two (2) general stores, two (2) blacksmiths, a grist and saw mill, a flour mill, an undertaker and livery, a hotel, a hotel and saloon, a grocer and saloon, an insurance salesman, and a population of 150 (Maryland 1906: 667).

The Mary I.H. Neave Property contains a Dutch Colonial Revival residence with a stable, guest cottage, and outbuildings. Colonial Revival styles were popular in the United States between the years 1880 and 1955. It resulted from a rebirth of interest in colonial English and Dutch houses along the eastern seaboard. Stylistic details were drawn from Georgian and Federal styles, with some secondary influences from Dutch Colonial and English Postmedieval types. Examples of Colonial Revival houses built from 1915 to 1935 reflected colonial precedents very carefully, while those built after World War II simplified the style. The houses are usually rectangular in plan and range from 1 to 3-stories in height with side-gable, cross-gable, hipped, or gambrel roofs. Clapboard is the most common sheathing material, but brick is not uncommon. The style also usually contains an accented main entrance that may include sidelights, fanlights or pediments (McAlester 1984, 321-6).

The property also contains a vernacular side-gable cottage. This style was popular from 1870 to 1940 and are usually characterized by simple ornamentation and mass-produced components. Designs for these cottages could be found in popular trade magazine, such as House Beautiful or American Builder. A variety of different types were constructed during this time including a variety of front-gable, side-gable, cross-gable, and hipped roof wood-frame examples (Gottfried and Jennings 1988, viii-xv).

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### National Register Evaluation:

Constructed in 1934, the Mary I.H. Neave Property is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not eligible under Criterion A, as research conducted indicates no association with any historic events or trends significant in the development of national, state, or local history. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. It is not eligible under Criterion C, as it is an undistinguished example of a common style which has been extensively altered. The 1-story screen porch projecting from the east elevation, the 1-story enclosed porch projecting from the north and east elevations, and the 1-story addition projecting from the north elevation alter the integrity of the building's original design. Furthermore, none of the original outbuildings (except the cottage) that were likely associated with the property are extant. Finally, the property has no known potential to yield important information, and therefore, does not meet Criterion D.

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Eligibility recommended \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility Not Recommended XX

Reviewer, OPS: [Signature]

Date: 5/15/98

Reviewer, NR Program: [Signature]

Date: 5/20/98

[Signature]

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References Survey No. CH-404 (PACS A10)

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See Continuation Sheet

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_  
Quadrangle name Hughesville, MD

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

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List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

| state | code | county | code |
|-------|------|--------|------|
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| state | code | county | code |
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## 11. Form Prepared By

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state Maryland

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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to:            Maryland Historical Trust  
                         DHCP/DHCD  
                         100 Community Place  
                         Crownsville, MD 21032-2023  
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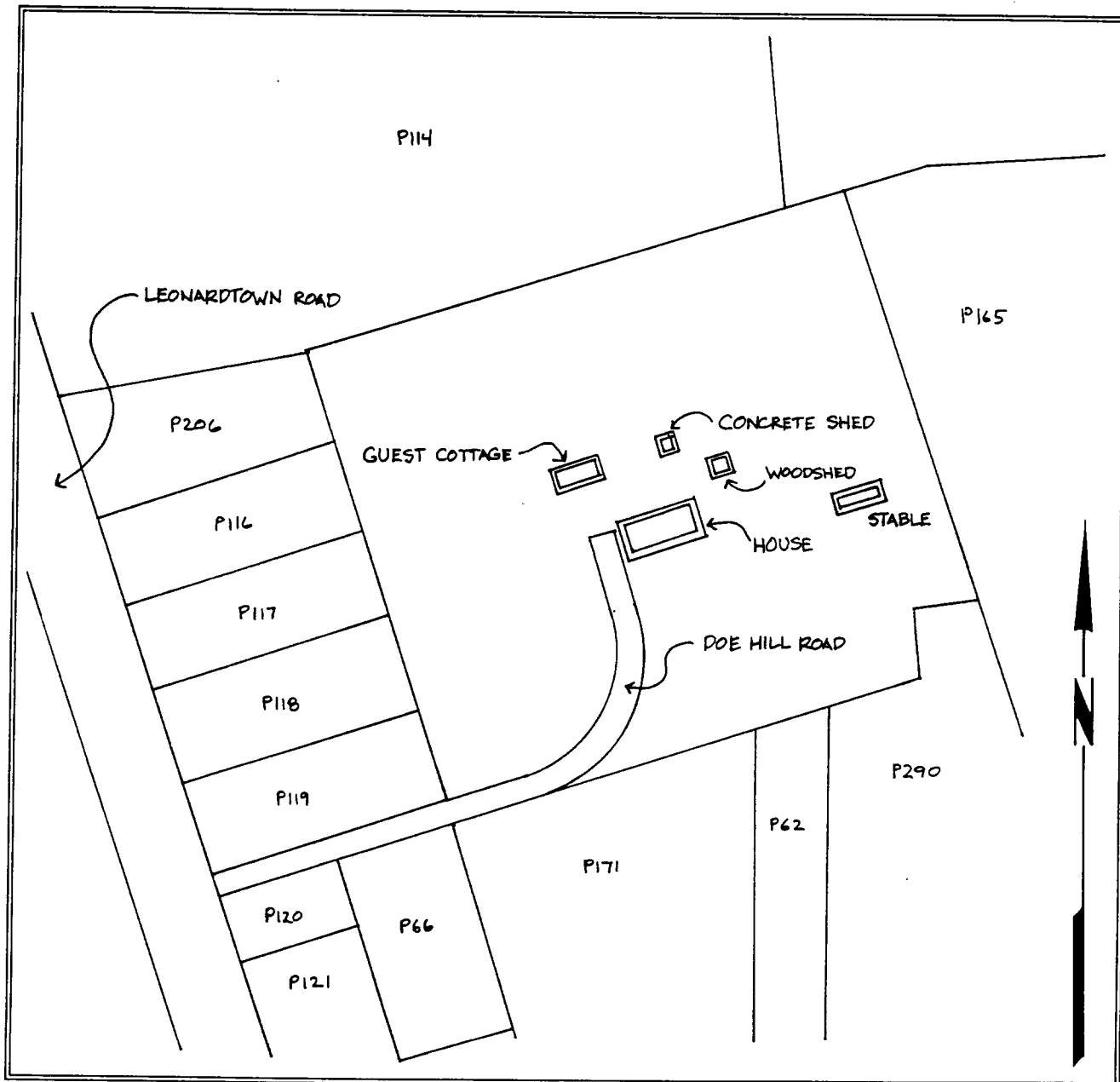
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Resource Sketch Map:



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Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data Sheet

Historic Context:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period Theme (s):

Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Buildings

Historic Environment (urban, suburban, village, or rural):

Village

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

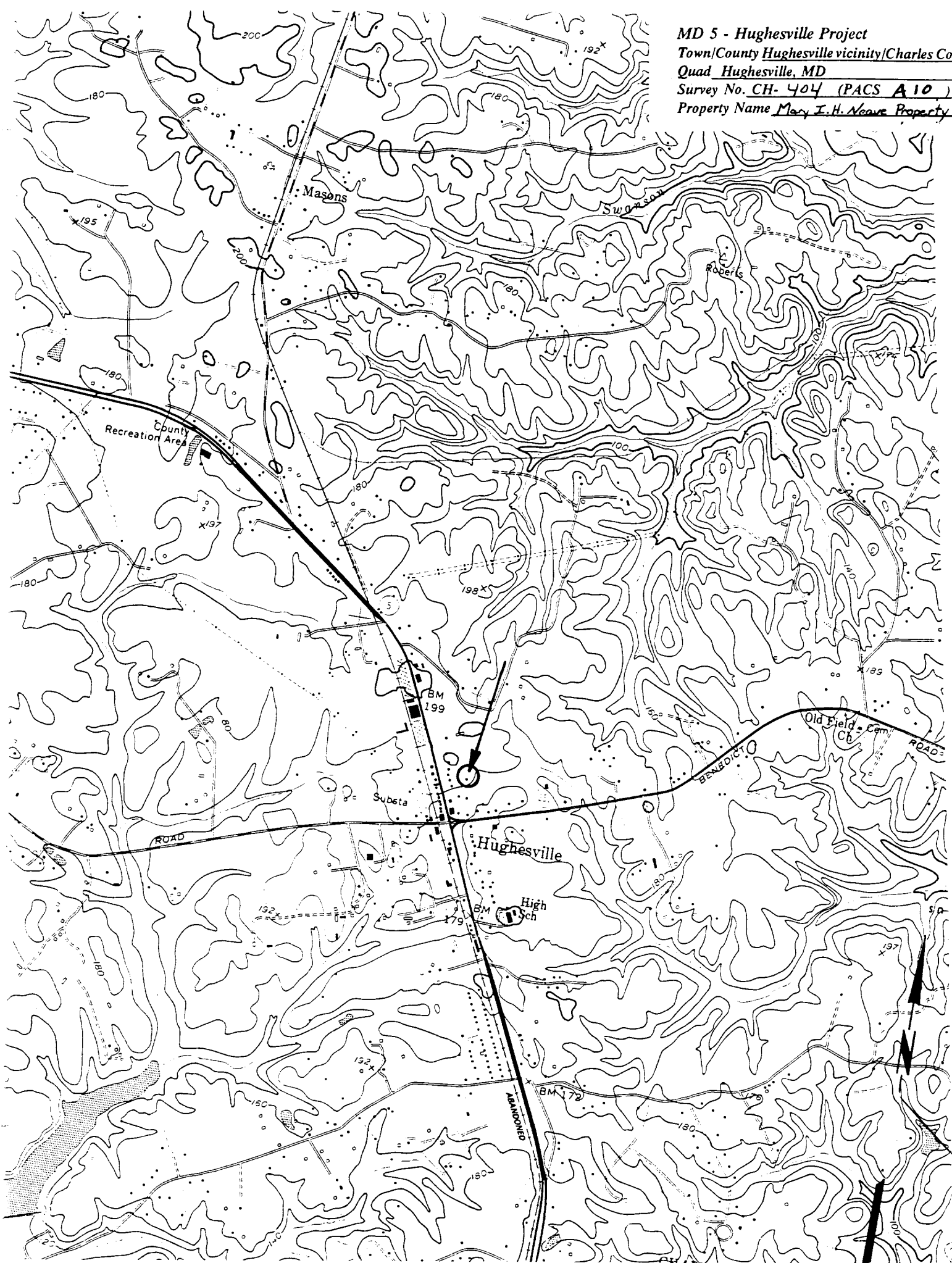
Residence

Known Design Source (write none if unknown):

None

Preparer  
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7 Cottage with Car Port, view NE

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7 Old Wood shed, view SE

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